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SUBJ: MAKARIOS'S SPEECH TO 30TH UNGA

1. SUMMARY AND COMMENT: MAKARISO'S GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT WAS NOTABLE ONLY FOR WHAT IT DID NOT SAY. IT DID NOT REPUDI-
ATE THE COMMUNAL TALKS, CALL FOR INTERNATIONALIZATION OF THE
CYPRUS PROBLEM, OR EVEN INFERENTIALLY CRITICIZE THE US. IN
THE WAKE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON THE ARMS EMBARGO.
SLIGHTLY MILDER AND LESS EMOTIONAL THAN LAST YEAR, THE SPEECH
NEVERTHELESS DREW TURKISH RIGHTS OF REPLY AND CYPRIOT COUNTER-
REPLIES. CYPRIOTS HERE CONSIDER THE STATEMENT'S MOST NOTE-
WORTHY ELEMENT A CALL FOR WIDER INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES TO
A FINAL SOLUTION. THEY EVIDENTLY TOLD THE NEW YORK TIMES
THAT WIDER GUARANTEES MEANT "THE US. AND USSR OR THE SECUR-
ITY COUNCIL"--AND THAT, WE UNDERSTAND, WILL BE
TOMORROW'S TIMES' LEAD.

2. BEFORE TURNING TO THE QUESTION OF CYPRUS, MAKARISO EX-
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PRESSED HOPE THAT NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM WILL SOON BE

ADMITTED TO THE UN, BUT FAILED TO MENTION THE DESIRABILITY OF UN MEMBERSHIP FOR SOUTH KOREA. HE ALSO VOICED CONCERN OVER THE SERIOUS DANGER OF WAR IN THE MIDDLE EAST. HE SAID THAT "CERTAIN INITIATIVES" MAY HAVE BROUGHT A MEASURE OF PEACE BUT A FINAL SETTLEMENT REQUIRES ISRAEL'S WITHDRAWAL FROM ALL ARAB TERRITORIES OCCUPIED SINCE 1967 AND ITS RECOGNITION OF THE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIANS. HE ADDED THAT "UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES CAN THE ACQUISITION OF TERRITORIES BY FORCE BE CONDONED OR MILITARY OCCUPATION BE TAKEN AS CREATING RIGHTS," BUT OMITTED ANY MENTION OF THE RIGHT OF ALL STATES TO LIVE IN PEACE WITHIN SECURE BOUNDARIES.

3. MAKARIOS THEN CONDEMNED TURKEY'S "CONTEMPTUOUS DISREGARD" OF UNGA RESOLUTION 3212 AND ITS LACK OF GOOD FAITH IN THE RECENT NEGOTIATIONS. HE SAID TURKEY'S DUPLICITY WAS DEMONSTRATED BY ITS ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "TURKISH FEDERATED STATE OF CYPRUS" AND BY ITS ATTEMPT TO COLONIZE THE OCCUPIED TERRITORY WITH SETTLERS FROM THE TURKISH MAINLAND. HE ADDED THAT AS LONG AS TURKEY ATTEMPTED TO PARTITION CYPRUS, THERE COULD BE LITTLE PROSPECT OF POSITIVE RESULTS FROM THE NEGOTIATIONS. BUT HE INSISTED THAT NEGOTIATIONS REMAIN "THE BEST MEANS FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM."

4. MAKARIOS ALSO ASSERTED THAT TURKEY IS MANIPULATING THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS AS "UNFORTUNATE PAWNS" TO PROMOTE ITS PLANS FOR TERRITORIAL EXPANSION. IN THIS CONTEXT, HE DENIED THAT TURKISH INTERVENTION WAS NECESSARY TO PROTECT TURKISH CYPRIOTS FROM RELIGIOUS, ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL DISCRIMINATION. HE SAID RELIGION WAS NEVER AN ISSUE BETWEEN THE TWO COMMUNITIES, AND THAT THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES OF THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS STEMMED FROM THE TURKISH GOVERNMENTS' ENCOURAGEMENT OF THEIR WITHDRAWAL INTO ETHNIC ENCLAVES. HE ADDED THAT TURKEY'S INDIFFERENCE TO THE INTERESTS OF TURKISH CYPRIOTS WAS SHOWN BY ITS COLONIZATION POLICY AND LOOTING OF THE OCCUPIED TERRITORY.

5. MAKARIOS EMPHASIZED THAT THE CYPRUS PROBLEM WAS BASICALLY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CALLY ONE OF TURKISH AGGRESSION AGAINST CYPRUS, NOT A DISPUTE BETWEEN GREEK AND TURKISH CYPRIOTS. HE SAID THAT, WHATEVER TURKEY'S RIGHT UNDER THE TREATY OF GUARANTEE TO INTERVENE TO RESTORE THE CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER UPSET BY THE JULY, 1974, COUP, ITS ACTIONS HAVE "DESTROYED THE VERY OBJECT SHE HAD GUARANTEED TO PRESERVE." HE DEPLORED THE FAILURE OF THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT TO DISCUSS ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER GA RESOLUTION 3212 REGARDING THE RETURN OF

REFUGEES AND THE CESSATION OF ITS MILITARY OCCUPATION. HE ADDED THAT THE GOC WILL NOT COMPROMISE ON THESE ISSUES BECAUSE IT REGARDS COMPROMISE BASED ON THE RESULTS OF AGGRESSION AS IMMORAL.

6. MAKARIOS CALLED ON THE GA TO IMPLEMENT EFFECITVELY ITS RESOLUTION ON CYPRUS TO PREVENT THE SITUATION FROM BECOMING A DANGEROUS PRECEDENT FOR OTHER SMALL, NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES. HE REITERATED HIS BELIEF THAT NEGOTIATIONS OFFER THE BEST MEANS TO RESOLVE THE CONFLICT, AND DECLARED THAT BOTH THE GREEK AND TURKISH CYPRIOTS YEARN FOR CONCILIATION AND COOPERATION FREE OF OUTSIDE PRESSURE. HE ALSO INDICATED THAT THE GOC IS PREPARED TO DISBAND ITS ARMED FORCES TO FACILITATE A SETTLEMENT. FINALLY, HE ENVISAGES WIDER AND MORE EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES FOR A REUNIFIED CYPRIOT STATE.

7. IN CONCLUDING, MAKARIOS THANKED SYG WALDHEIM, THE COMMANDER OF THE UN PEACEKEEPING FORCES IN CYPRUS, AND THE UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES. HE ALSO PAID PARTICULAR TRIBUTE TO THECOMMONWEALTH HEADS OF GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE IN KINGSTON AND THE CONFERENCE OF NON-ALIGNED FOREIGN MINISTERS IN LIMA FOR THEIR "FULL SUPPORT."
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